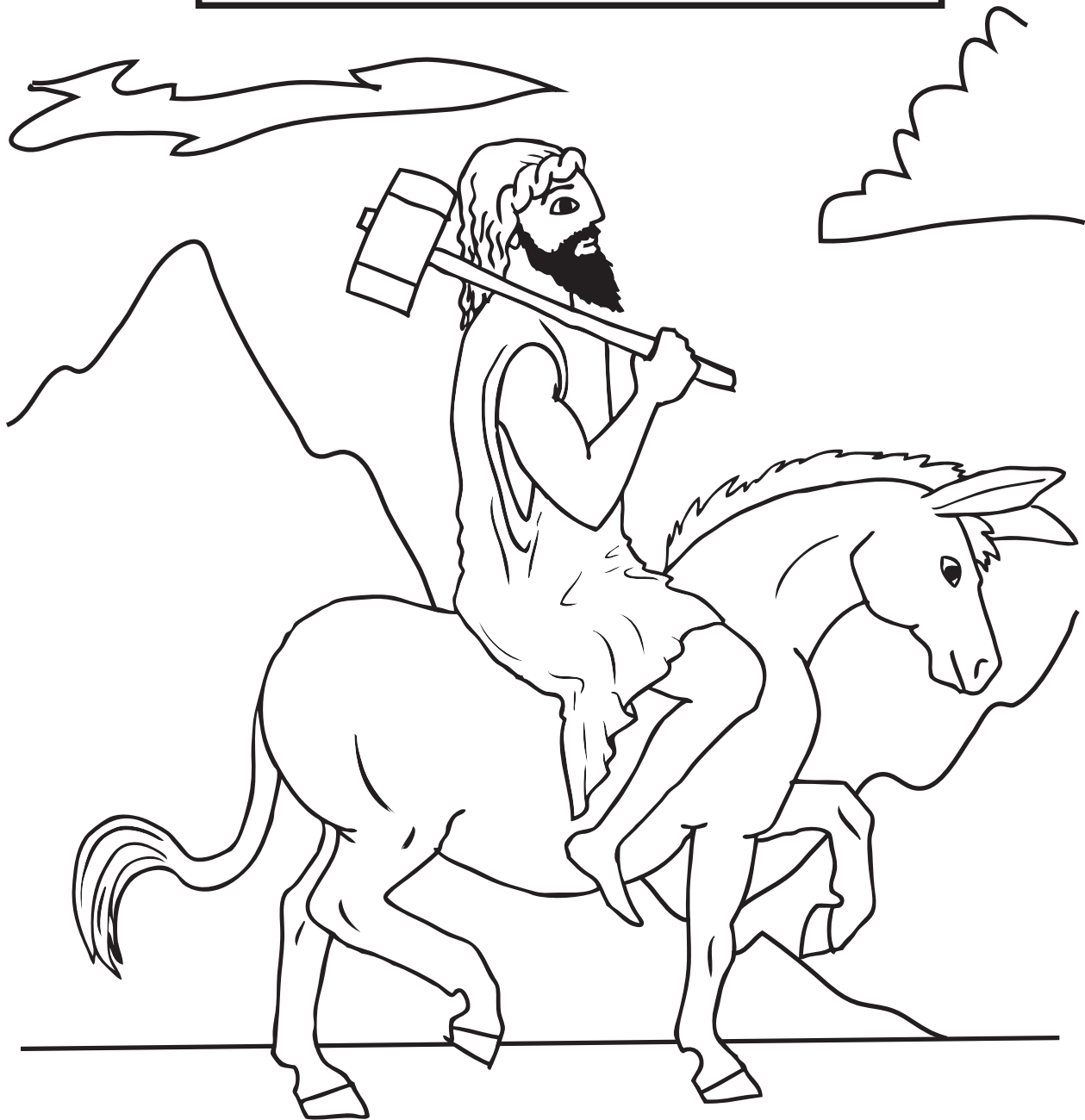


HEPHAESTUS



HEPHAESTUS WAS THE GOD OF FIRE, METALWORKING, STONEMASONRY, SCULPTURE, AND VOLCANISM. HE MADE THUNDERBOLTS FOR ZEUS. HE WAS HERA'S SON, BUT WHEN HE WAS BORN, SHE HURLED HIM DOWN FROM MOUNT OLYMPUS BECAUSE SHE THOUGHT HIM UGLY. HE WAS RESCUED AND RAISED INSIDE A CAVE.